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INTO THE WIDE, WIDE WORLD. A mixed septet gets briefed before going out on first FAS field assignments. Left to right: John Lynch (Leopoldville), Shackford Pitcher (Rio de Janeiro) John Parker (Cairo), Angela Mittiga (Ankara), Elmer Winner (London), Turner Oyloe (London), Mary Grant (Brussels)--and, of course, Assistant Administrator for Attaches Douglas M. Crawford, who is doing the briefing.



YOUNG MEN GOING EAST--AND SOUTH

Leopoldville, Karachi, Cairo, and Rio are acquiring assistant attaches. All of them entered FAS as junior professionals.

John Lynch, groomed in both Area Analysis and Trade Projects, is slated for the Congo.

John Parker, "school" in the Tobacco Division, has arrived in Cairo as assistant to Jim Hutchins.

Harry Bryan, of Fruits and Vegetables, is reportedly shopping around for a good second-hand camel in exchange for a Thunderbird. He's scheduled to go to Karachi.

And, Shackford Pitcher, also of Fruits & Vegetables, has arrived in Rio to succeed Leon Mears as assistant attaché. Leon is back in FAS/Wash, with Dairy & Poultry Div.

OFF TO PICCADILLY

The London staff gained reinforcements this month with the addition of two new assistant attaches: Elmer Winner and Turner Oyloe.

Elmer has turned to Trade Center tasks formerly handled by Paul Findlen, now in FAS Trade Fairs Division. The new Centerist has been FES director of information since 1959. Alma maters are Kansas State U. (BS) and Univ. of Missouri (MS).

Turner has taken over work of Walter Stern (now in Manila). Formerly a research fellow at Univ. of Minnesota and more recently with FAS's Dairy and Poultry Div., Turner has a BS and MS from So. Dakota State U.

Bill Horbaly has come out of the USSR for an FAS/Wash job in Program Development after two tours of duty there. Brice Meeker, former ag officer in Hong Kong, is scheduled to succeed Bill in Moscow, with arrival slated for mid-September.



MARILYN RUTH HORBALY, 11-1/2, daughter of Attache Bill Horbaly, stretches her legs at a farewell ballet workout in famous Bolshoi Theater where she studied ballet while in Moscow.

George Parks is back from The Hague. This month (August) he begins a full academic year of attendance at the Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy--the State Department's equivalent of the National War College--where all major domestic and international policies are reviewed and discussed.

George is the 4th senior attache to be selected for the Seminar. Others were Asst. Adm. Doug Crawford, Deputy Asst. Adm. Elmer Hallowell, and John Kross, attache with U.S. Mission to European Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations.

On home leave in August and/or September are: Sam Work (Bangkok); Don Novotny (Wellington); Paul Minneman (Bonn); "Mac" MacDonald (Beirut); Dalton Wilson (Guatemala); and Carlos Ortega (Quito).

GOOD TIME BY ALL

Over 200 FAS and IADS staff members and their families picnicked together June 24 at the Log Cabin, Beltsville.

The afternoon featured a ball game in which the only casualty was Art Rollefson, who fractured a wrist trying to stretch a triple into a homer.

The annual picnic was climaxed by crowning of "Miss Foreign Agriculture"--Judy Scott, Foreign Training Div. (IADS); Marty Payne, General Sales Manager office, and Shirley Dyson, Personnel Div.

FAS Administrator Ray Ioanes was in attendance, and IADS Administrator Matthew Drosdoff was Master of Ceremonies. Dick Bevis, Budget & Finance, chaired the successful affair. He has high praise for his picnic committee: Quincy Ewing, publicity; Bill Van Lowe, food; Herb Kalish, tickets; Pete Gips, sports; Anna Jones, pony rides; Bill Caras, entertainment; Fred Dissen, transportation; and Bill McLeod, beauty contest.



OPERATION PICNIC. Judges of the Miss Foreign Agriculture contest at annual FAS picnic enjoy their task from vantage point on Log Cabin grounds, Beltsville. Left to right: W. E. (Si) Harvey, assistant director, Foreign Training Div. (IADS); Ken McDaniel, deputy assistant administrator, Management; and Joe Phillips, Personnel director.



The number of attache posts is being reduced from 61 to 59, with closing out of agricultural attache spots in Rangoon, Burma and Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The positions will be used to strengthen staffs in other areas.

Larry Diehl, attache in Rangoon since November 1961 is scheduled to take over as attache in Kuala Lumpur. He'll be arriving at his new post in October, after home leave.

Q. Martin Morgan, attache in Kuala Lumpur the past 4½ years, bid goodbye to Malaysia in mid-August. After a State-side vacation, he will have a desk in FAS/Livestock Division.

Loyd Adcock, who opened our post in Addis Ababa in 1962, left the Land of the Queen of Sheba in July for home leave. Next stop: Ankara, Turkey, where he will succeed retiree Gordon Schlubatis.

The Ankara staff has already welcomed Angela Mittiga to its ranks. Angela--administrative secretary, is a newcomer to FAS but a foreign service veteran, having served in Turkey once before with the old ICA.

HUNGRY HONG KONG PIGS GET U.S. CORN

Attache John Wenmohs is a member of the executive committee of Operation Feedbag, Ltd., a non-profit program organized to help needy Hong Kong pig raisers.

The program was launched in June, when 1,500 tons of U.S. corn arrived--part of a 20,000 ton grain grant under Food for Peace. Purpose of Operation Feedbag is to help Hong Kong's pig-raisers boost pig production and pork quality.

The Hong Kong government has provided a million-dollar interest-free loan to help operate the venture and also to buy protein and other additives to mix with the feed grain.

Carl Winberg is finally leaving the Far East before he starts growing a queue. After longtime service in Asia--the last 5 years in Djakarta--he leaves Indonesia this month for an FAS/Wash. assignment.

Norman Pettipaw, ex-Tel Aviv and Rome, has succeeded Winberg as attache in Djakarta--where he began his career.



IN TAI HUM VILLAGE, Kowloon, Hong Kong, Jack Categ (left), director of Hong Kong's Agriculture and Forestry Department, and Attache John Wenmohs--members of Operation Feedbag's executive committee--attend ceremonies marking first shipment of U.S. corn to arrive at Operation's warehouse in old Spitfire Hangar.



Around the World

August has been called the unnecessary month--just put in the calendar to round out the year. But how else could we honor the first Roman Emperor, Caesar Augustus, and how else could so many of us get away from our desks on mountain-and-seashore vacations?

How, too, could presidential campaigns gain needed momentum without this second month of the fiscal year? Or late-summer trade fair planners get their ducks in order?

Among the many summer vacationers is Harry Varney, due back on the farm this month (his own farm, in Vermont) for home leave from his Karachi post. He'll be going back to Pakistan in the late, late fall.

Ed (Abner) Deatherage, ex assistant attache in Manila, is now hunting and fishing out Wyoming way before taking off for a quarter's graduate study at Michigan State Univ.

THAI COTTON-MILL managers and U.S. cotton-shipper representatives bid farewell to Attache Sam Work before he takes home leave.

Burl Stugard, European area officer, is due home at August's end after a trip to Portugal, Switzerland, Germany, and Austria.

Hal Norton, assistant attache in The Hague, enjoyed a June vacation in Germany, Belgium, and Switzerland.

Dick Smith, after home-leave vacation in Laconia, N.H. and Scarsdale, N.Y., headed south in mid-July to take over the attacheship in El Salvador. His twin daughters Christie and Linda, now 16 months old, thrive on Latin American air. (They were born in Colombia, when Dick was asst. attache there.)

How worldly can one get? We nominate Eleanor Kaniecki, who is back at her secretarial desk in Moscow and smiling again after a trip to Berlin to get a new tooth.

John Ray, assistant attache in Paris, spent his summer vacation tripping around Italy and Greece. It's possible that he met up with Print Hudson (Bern) who also vacationed in Greece.



Walter R. Schreiber, U.S. Tariff Commission member since 1953, assistant ag. attache in Paris in 1938, and for many years a dried fruits and nuts specialist with OFAR and FAS, has left the government service and will make his home in San Luis Obispo, Calif.

JAPANESE broadcasting team visits USDA. Left to right: Hiroshi Ebi, cameraman; Layne Beaty, chief, USDA Radio-TV Service; Yasumasa Obata, leader; Jim Boulware, FAS Far East area officer; and Ken-ichi Nakamura, director.



JAPANESE FARM BROADCASTERS FILM DOCUMENTARY HERE

Thanks to liaison work by Attache Joe Dodson and Jim Boulware, Far East area officer, a 3-man team from the Japanese Broadcasting Corp. (NHK) visited USDA's radio and TV Service after a month filming and taping in the U.S. for a documentary series on "Rural Villages of the World."

Pictured above (l. to r.): Hiroshi Ebi, cameraman; Layne Beaty, chief, USDA Radio-TV Service; Yasumasa Obata, leader; Jim Boulware; Ken-ichi Nakamura, director.

Arrangements were made for the Japanese team to contact Henry Schacht, director of agricultural information, Univ. of Calif.; Arnold Peterson, farm director, WOV Omaha; Cotton John Smith, farm director, KGNC Amarillo; and Bob Chesnutt, Alabama extension editor.

The team will visit 11 countries before returning to Tokyo. The rural villages series will be broadcast in Japan in November.

GLADYS ANCHETA RETIRES

After 30 years with USDA, all of them in the South Building, Mrs. Gladys Ancheta retired July 31.

During her stay in the Department, Gladys served successively in the old Triple A (Agricultural Adjustment Administration), in TCB (Technical Collaboration Branch) of OFAR, and for the past several years as secretary to FAS's Grain and Feed Division's director.

TRADE FAIR CIRCUIT

Bill Dobbins, manager of the U.S. Exhibit at the LEFA Int'l Food Fair at HAMBURG, reported at press time that all was in good shape for a fine exhibit August 14-23.

A feature attraction of the Hamburg show will be a colorful display on the American Indian--replete with tepees, totem poles, and a live Indian chief--showing various foods the American Indians contributed to the world's dining tables. (cont'd., p. 6)

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At the Casablanca Trade Fair, a U.S. pavilion featured irrigation and poultry production.

Attache W. Gordon Loveless reports that the poultry show may increase use of byproducts from U.S.-supplied oil-seeds.

Morocco now imports U.S. soybeans for crushing, and exports the byproduct meal to Europe. A thriving poultry feed industry in Morocco would create local demand for meal, take it out of competition with U.S. sales in Europe, and encourage bigger imports of U.S. soybeans.



MRS. W. GORDON LOVELESS takes guided tour of U.S. agricultural exhibit at the Casablanca Trade Fair. Mrs. Loveless is the wife of attache Gordon Loveless, and the guide is M. Benjalloun, a nephew of the Moroccan Ambassador to the United States.

MEXICAN MEMO

Henry Hopp accompanied Ambassador Fulton Freeman on his first official visit outside Mexico City--to the cattle show and national cattlemen's congress at Durango in July. Feature of the show was the auction of 60 U.S. breeding cattle, 2 of them from the LBJ ranch.

More recently, Henry was host to John Moriarty, chief of foreign donations branch of Program Development Div., who was in Mexico to confer with voluntary agency heads and U.S. and Mexican officials about Food for Peace Title II and III programs.

Assistant Attache Bob Fouchs left Mexico City's refreshing climate for a July vacation in the swelter of D.C.



Soybean show, Aug. 24-Sept. 11, at the Tokyo Trade Center was heralded by Attache Joe Dodson (above, standing), who briefed 60 Tokyo press members. Taking part in conference were interpreter Kuniharu Kiyomiya (left) attache office, and Dave Strobel, asst. attache.

CANADIAN NOTES

Mrs. Dorothy A. Bartnes, secretary to the late Fred Rossiter for 6 years, has left FAS in Ottawa because her husband has been transferred to Montreal.

Miss Simonne Grison, formerly with the Ottawa Embassy's budget and fiscal division, has joined Acting Attache John C. (Jack) McDonald's staff.

Jane Williams, secretary in the Ottawa office since 1962, was married June 27 to William Jackson, draftsman with the Canada Department of Mines and Technical Surveys. Happily for the attache office, she returned to work after a wedding trip.



VIENNA GREET'S MAID OF COTTON. The attache office was well represented on the committee that welcomed the Maid of Cotton to Austria. Left to right: Katy Sue Meredith, Maid of Cotton; Robert Fischer-Ledenice, director of Austrian Cotton Institute; Mrs. Fischer, Austrian chaperone for M. of C. and wife of an Austrian cotton industrialist; Mrs. Gisela Schatzer, market development asst. in office attache; and Attache Henry Baehr.

AWARD WINNING PHOTOS

IN ROME, Mollie Iler (left, below) receives Certificate of Merit for sustained above-average performance from Ambassador G. Frederick Reinhardt.



IN BANGKOK, Bhornchai Kunalai (below, left), veteran agricultural specialist, is congratulated by Ambassador Graham Martin on receipt of Certificate of Merit.



IN BONN, agricultural specialist Paul Hess (center) receives a Certificate of Merit and cash award for sustained above-average performance. Attache Paul Minneman is holding the papers, while Assistant Attache Alex Bernitz looks on.

IN THE HAGUE, Attache George Parks congratulates administrative clerk Tilly Miesky on her Outstanding Performance Rating.



IN SAO PAULO, administrative specialist Anneliese K. Bueno receives her 20-year honors from Consul General Niles Bond.





NEW PRESIDENT of the American Embassy Women's Club in Tokyo is our agricultural attache's wife, Mrs. Joseph C. Dodson pictured here (left) with other Club officers. Mrs. Edwin O. Reischauer, wife of the American Ambassador stands next to Mrs. Dodson.



CLANCY JEAN, Grain Div. (left) and Virgilio Barco, Colombian Minister of Agriculture, discuss ways to eliminate procedural problems in importation of U.S. wheat. (While in Bogota, Clancy was introduced to government officials and grain traders at a reception given by Attache Bob Adcock.)

WOMAN'S WAY

Ann Bibbo, secretary in the Djakarta attache office, made the most of summer leave by visiting Djogjakarta, Bangkok, Cambodia, Vietnam, Hong Kong, and the Philippines.

Trip highlights were visits to Angkor Wat, Cambodia's 12th century ruins often referred to as the 8th wonder of the world; to Baguio, famed mountain resort in northern Luzon; to the 8th-15th century ruins of Borobudur. At Djogjakarta she saw the Ramayana, dance drama based on episodes from the Hindu epics.

Along her way Ann had get-togethers with secretaries Iris Nichols (Bangkok), Anne Webb (Hong Kong), and Mildred Watts (Manila).



Nearly 1400 secretaries attended the recent annual convention in Wash., D.C. of the International Secretaries' Association. Amanda Halford, attache staff, was one of them.

GALLONS AND GALLONS of blood are given by FASers to keep the Red Cross blood bank full. Here are the top donors, with a total of 86 pints--over 10-1/2 gallons. Left to right: Guy Haviland, Program Operations (25 pts.); Herb Kalish, Procurement & Supply (30); Amanda Halford, Attaches (31); congratulator and Administrator Ioanes.

